GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:130
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FUNDS UNDER NRHM
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds allocated to States during the last three years under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) to improve the sex-ratio, remained unutilized;

(b) if, so the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)to(c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 130 FOR 27TH NOVEMBER, 2009

(a) to (c): No Sir. The States/UTs have incurred an expenditure of Rs.1.76 crore during 2006-07, Rs.3.31 crore during 2007-08, Rs.7.66 crore during 2008-09 and Rs.1.14 crore 2009-10 (up to 30.09.2009) for PNDT and Sex Ratio activities under RCH-II Programme.

Under the National Rural Health Mission [NRHM], funds are released for various activities under RCH-II Programme including PNDT and Sex Ratio on a consolidated basis under the RCH Flexible Pool. The States/UTs have the flexibility to utilize the funds by prioritizing their requirements for the programme activities. The funds so utilized by the States/UTs are monitored through a quarterly Financial Monitoring Report (FMR). A statement showing the state-wise and total funds utilized by the States for PNDT and Sex Ratio activities during the F.Ys. 2006-07 to 2009-10 (up to 30.09.2009) is annexed.

The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare conducts a review of the funds utilization by the States for various activities under the NRHM and impress upon them to improve their performance under those activities where under-utilization is identified.